

Group II, claims 12-19, 21-23, 25-31 and 34, drawn to a color filter substrate having buffer patterns, classified in class 349, subclass 122; and

Group III, claims 20, 24, 32 and 33, drawn to a color filter substrate having a groove and buffer patterns, classified in class 349, subclass 158.

If Group I is elected, the election among species IA, IB, IC, ID and IE is needed.

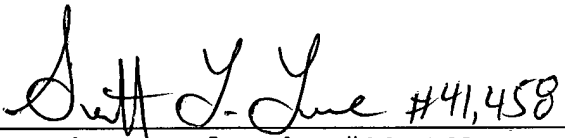
**For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Species IA directed to Figs. 8A-AC, claims 1-3, 5-6 and 8-9.**

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Esther H. Chong (Reg. No. 40,953) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees


required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17;  
particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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